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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend this application before examination as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph at page 6 as indicated hereinafter.

In one aspect of the invention there is provided a method of determining a physical or chemical parameter of wood pulp comprising: a) applying excitation light at at least one predetermined wavelength to wood pulp, to produce fluorescence emission light from individual fibre particles of the wood pulp, b) detecting fluorescence intensities of said fluorescence emission light, for each said predetermined wavelength, and c) determining a physical or